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Dear Marie

SUSPENSION OF ANNUAL CARE PLAN REVIEWS

My previous letter of the 2nd April to you refers.

I'm confirming that as from the today, 7th April 2020, the Department is suspending **all** requirements under Paragraph 27 of Circular HSC (ECCU) 1/2010 for the need to complete routine Annual Care Reviews of both in respect of residents in Nursing and Residential Care Homes and of clients who are receipt of care in their own homes.

This suspension will be for a period of three months initially and will subject to review at that time.

As I stated in my letter of the 2nd April, taking account of this suspension, Trusts along with Providers, still have a responsibility to ensure and assure the quality of care being provided. In addition this suspension does not negate the need to undertake such reviews that are necessary, paying due attention to those who are particularly vulnerable.

Again, thank you to colleagues across the HSC for your continuing hard work at this time.

Yours sincerely

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